

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are now pending. Claims 1, 3, 6 and 8 have been amended to more particularly point out the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claim 11-15 have been added, however, no additional claim fees are necessary.

Drawings

The Patent Office objected to the drawings for incorrect reference numerals.

FIGS. 1, 2, 4 and 5 have been replaced.

Specification

The Patent Office objected to the disclosure.

In each instance, the specification has been amended to conform with the drawings.

Claim Rejections- 35 USC § 112

The Patent Office rejected claims 1, 3, 6 and 8 under 35 USC § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 1, 3, 6 and 8 have been amended to more particularly point out the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim Rejections- 35 USC § 102

The Patent Office rejected claims 1-10 under 35 USC § 102(b) as being anticipated by Berglund et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,044,411 (Berglund).

Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection. Applicant respectfully submits that a *prima facie* case of anticipation has not been established for claims 1-15. “[A]nticipation requires the presence in a single prior art reference disclosure of each and every element of the claimed invention, arranged as in the claim.” *Lindemann Maschinenfabrik GmbH v. American Hoist & Derrick Co.*, 730 F.2d 1452, 221 USPQ 481, 485 (Fed. Cir. 1984) (citing *Connell v. Sears, Roebuck & Co.*, 722 F.2d 1542, 220

USPQ 193 (Fed. Cir. 1983) (emphasis added). Further, the Federal Circuit has stated that:

An anticipating reference must describe the patented subject matter with sufficient clarity and detail to establish that the subject matter existed and that its existence was recognized by persons of ordinary skill in the field of the invention. *ATD Corp. v. Lydall, Inc.*, 159 F.3d 534, 48 USPQ2d 1321, 1328 (Fed. Cir. 1998) citing *In re Spada*, 911 F.2d 705, 708 15 USPQ 2d 1655, 1657 (Fed. Cir. 1990).

The present invention discloses a novel method for associating SES data with physical devices on a Fibre Channel loop. Claims 1, 6 and 11 include novel and nonobvious elements that have not been disclosed, taught or suggested by Berglund. For example, claims 1, 6 and 11 each recite removing a data associated with at least one of a SCSI enclosure service device and a drive from a loop map which have been successfully mapped whereby the loop map allows another mapping of a previously failed mapping of an enclosure.

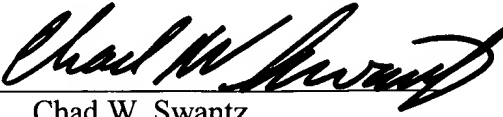
The Patent Office asserts that Berglund generally teaches removing a data associated with at least one of a SCSI enclosure service device and a drive from a loop map which have been successfully mapped whereby the loop map allows another mapping of a previously failed mapping of an enclosure in Column 8, lines 13-21. However, column 8, lines 13-21, along with the rest of the specification, do not disclose a loop, a loop map, or allowing mapping of a previously failed mapping of an enclosure. In fact, Column 8, lines 13-21 only teaches changing a logical address if an error is reported. Applicant respectfully submits that changing of a logical address if an error is reported does not teach, disclose or suggest loop, a loop map, or allowing mapping of a previously failed mapping of an enclosure. Since Berglund does not disclose nor suggest removing a data associated with at least one of a SCSI enclosure service device and a drive from a loop map which have been successfully mapped whereby the loop map allows another mapping of a previously failed mapping of an enclosure, under *Lindemann*, anticipation of claims 1, 6 and 11 has not been established. Since claims 2-5, 7-10 and 12-15 depend from claims 1, 6 and 11, a *prima facie* case of anticipation has not been established for claims 1-15. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits allowance of claims 1-15.

CONCLUSION

In light of the forgoing, reconsideration and allowance of the claims is earnestly solicited.

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